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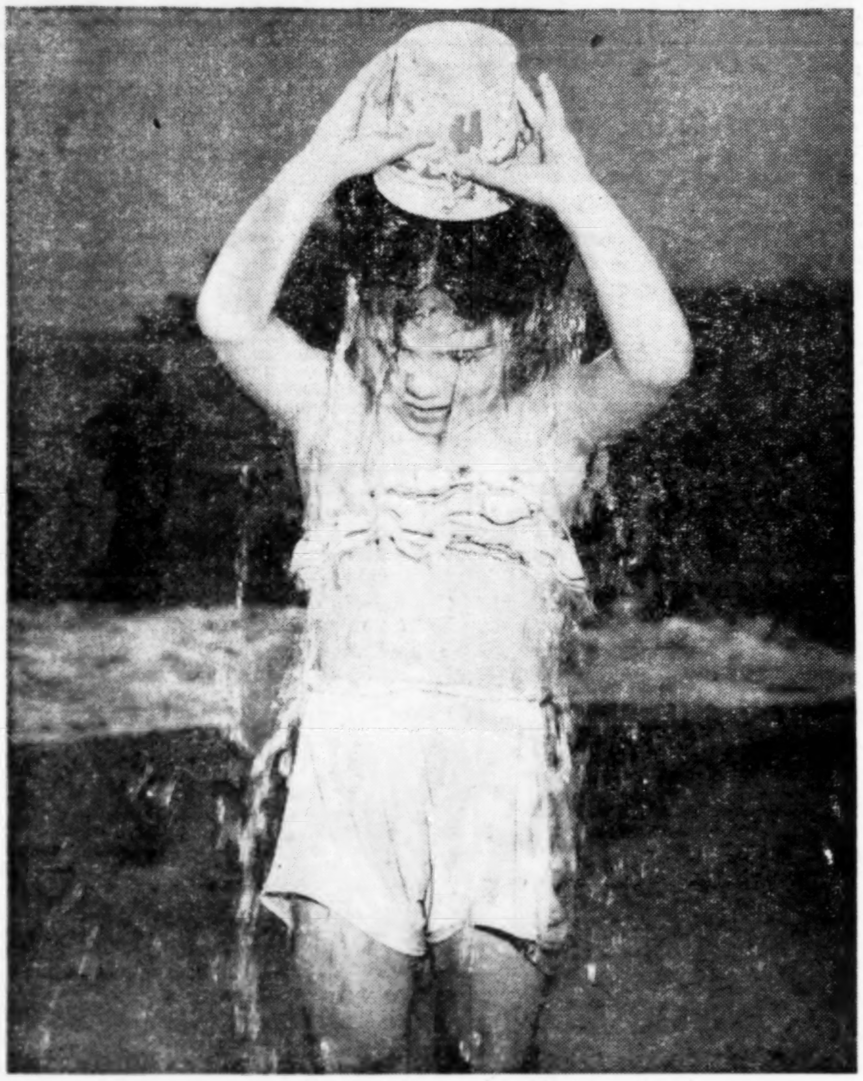


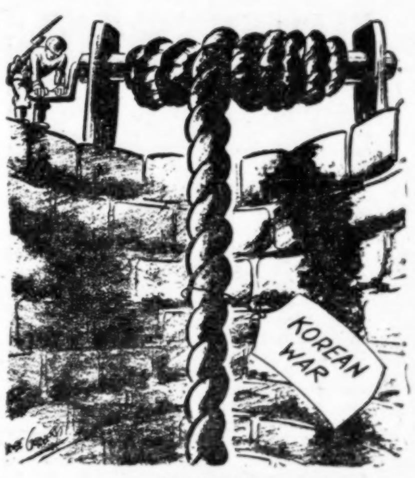
Let's all cool off

Sophie Donaruma, aged 4, reflected accurately at Coney Island the desire of most Americans to take off the heat, enjoy life and let the rest of the world do the same. But all the air conditioning in Washington couldn't keep down the fever of Dulles and his atomic crusaders to set fire to the future of the Sophies in every land.

WAR & PEACE

New York Edition

More deeds (not words) come out of the East



Los Angeles Herald-Express
"WHERE DOES IT END?"

SOLID and persistent contributions to the relief of world tensions continued to come from the socialist side of the hot and cold war fronts last week.

In Korea, truce talks were resumed as Chinese-N. Korean spokesmen accepted

> . . . assurances of the UN Command concerning the observance of [armistice terms] by the S. Korean Government and forces . . . at their face value . . . in spite of the fact that a portion of your side's assurances with respect to the POW question is not satisfactory to our side.

In further development of its peace drive, the U. S. S. R.

- Resumed diplomatic relations with Israel, broken last February after bombing of the Soviet Legation in Tel bombing of the Soviet Legation.

Turkish border territories put forward after World War II—to "keep up good neighborly relations and strengthen peace and security";

- According to a Greek government source, asked and was promised approval of sending an ambassador to Greece;
- Extended $57 million food credit to E. Germany;

(Continued on Page 3)

THE TRUTH ABOUT EAST GERMANY

U.S. policy comes apart at the seams

By Tabitha Petran

WASHINGTON's policy seemed last week to be falling apart both in Asia and Europe. In Korea, its efforts to thwart truce talks were still blocked by Chinese-N. Korean resistance to all provocations. On the Western cold-war front, with the death of the European Army privately acknowledged at the recent Big Three conference (**Wall St. Journal**, 7/15), its determination "that American bases in W. Germany must under no circumstances be given up" underlined the long-obvious fact that its "policy in Europe is squarely based on permanent division of Germany into two parts" (Stewart Alsop, Berlin, 7/19).

That policy, in face of the growing German demand for unity, became more clearly unworkable each day. It envisaged unity of Germany and Europe only by war; as Alsop noted:

> It is fatuous nonsense to imagine that the Russians, short of a war, are going to agree to withdraw their forces from Germany while American forces remain. . . .

PEOPLE WANT COMPROMISE: Yet it was on just such "nonsense" that the Big Three invitation to Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov to talk about German unity after W. Germany's September elections was based. **Business Week** (7/18) called it "merely a tactical maneuver . . . to bolster Chancellor Adenauer's position in the . . . election and buy a little time." **WSJ** (7/15) said it was designed to sidetrack popular demands for top-level talks with Moscow, explained the strategy: the peoples of W. Europe insist upon a conference,

> . . . and unless there is such a conference not only will they [the governments] be able to accomplish little in concrete cold war action but they'll be voted out of office. . . . [If the condition-hedged talks fail as the West expects] it will open the door [to] . . . get tougher toward Russia without being voted out of office the next day.

Washington was clearly preparing more desperate gambles. W. Berlin Mayor Ernest Reuter said (7/19):

> Things have just started. We will experience times that will be even stormier than those of June 17. But we must fight on until our goal of German unity [on Washington's terms] is achieved.

PICTURE IS FALSE: The U. S., said C. L. Sulzberger (**NYT** from Paris, 7/19), "is accelerating its 'cold war' counter offensive" and now reckoning with "the ultimate independence of all Europe." The reckoning pretends to be based on the U. S. press' strike-and-revolt-torn picture of E. Europe, which Washington knows is false. Peter Edson (N. Y. **World Telegram**, 7/18), citing official sources, reported:

> Many stories about uprisings against Communist authorities in Poland, Czechoslovakia and other slave countries have been greatly exaggerated. . . . [They] are mostly attributed to refugees fleeing from rumored disturbances elsewhere . . . [are] extremely unreliable and often based on fears rather than facts.

Edson insisted, however, that reports of riots in E. Germany—the object of Washington's most ambitious "cold war counter-offensive"—were "fully confirmed."

WHAT REALLY HAPPENED: The real facts behind the Berlin riots of June 16-17 and the continuing reports of strikes in E. Germany are widely known in Europe but to a dangerous degree suppressed in the U. S. Pieced together from European newspapers, evidence uncovered by E. German and Soviet authorities, and admissions in the U. S. press, this was the picture:

- **There was substantial discontent among E. Germans as a result of hardships stemming from last year's poor harvest, the stepped-up drive for industrialization and agricultural reorganization and recent raising of production norms.**
- **A key role in calling and leading strikes was played by underground cells maintained in E. German factories by the W. Berlin Social Democrats' "East Bureau," which (NYT, 12/14/52) "collects valuable data for the West" and is apparently linked with top AFL and CIO brass. Whether there would have been any strikes without "East Bureau" action is questionable (NYT, 6/21).**
- **Orderly at first, the strikes were developed into riots by U. S.-W. German "Project X" outfits which, implementing Dulles' "dynamic new liberation" policy, sent into E. Berlin thousands of West Sector unemployed and hoodlums armed with clubs, small arms, and gasoline bottles.**

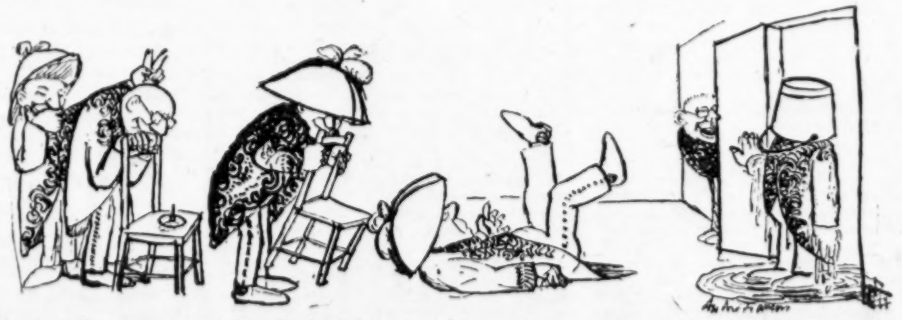
For story of the riots—see p. 3.

Dough and Senator Joe

The sensational report of the State Privileges & Elections Subcommittee on the financial history of Sen. Joe McCarthy is now available in a reprint put out by Americans for Democratic Action (1341 Connecticut Av., Washington 6, D. C.; 348 pp., $2). This is the documentation which, as former Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle wrote to Atty. Gen. Brownell on April 6, suggests that embezzlement, money under false pretenses, mail fraud, violation of law against kickbacks, illegal use of confidential RFC information, violation of income tax laws and bribery might be involved.

All calls on Brownell to exhume the buried report failed; silence continues to reign in his office since the most recent demand for action by N. Y. Rep. Powell last month.

McCarthy's office has demanded that ADA stop distribution of the report, which it warned was "not libel-proof." ADA has wired McCarthy daring him to sue for libel.



Francois in Tribune des Nations, Paris
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Golf and human life

ROCHESTER, MINN.

If only we could say of our people what Sartre says of his—that they forgot their differences and united their forces to fight for the lives of the Rosenbergs! I will never be ashamed of being an American, but I am ashamed of the brutality and incompetence of our leaders, especially of the man who holds the highest office.

A student, when asked to describe a golf ball, replied: "It is something a man chases after he gets too old to chase anything else." A man who can go out and play a round of golf after he has condemned two innocent young people to death has something wrong with his head.

O. L. Cummins

America will rise

LONG BEACH, CALIF.

The last paragraph in the Sartre article ("America has the rabies") brought to my mind the 18th chapter of Revelation, v. 4: "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues; for her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." But these are thrilling days to live in for those who are conscious and building for the new days. Out of America will rise a mighty people, to ally themselves with the march to our new world, when old Satan is cast in chains—which is nothing more than the Biblical symbol of materialism.

Allen Noonan

Not for nothing

SEASIDE, CALIF.

Two people have just given their lives in defense of the peace of the world. We must swear by all we hold dear that they did not die for nothing, that their deeds and words will live in our minds and breathe new courage into our progressive movement.

Morton M. Shafer

Steeled by sorrow

VANCOUVER, B. C.

You fought valiantly and well to keep precious life for Ethel and Julius. If the new Nazis sought to frighten us by attempting to destroy two of our finest warriors, they are miserably wrong. Only anger at such disgusting cruelty, steeled by deep sorrow, will be the reaction of all determined progressives.

Vic Smith

People must be proud

BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND

The American people must be proud of this fine young couple whose integrity was never shaken. We hope we may be able to take our share of responsibility for the future of their children. This affair has stirred the conscience of the world—we must make sure it never happens again.

Avis & Ruscoe Clarke

Snake charmers

GRANTS, N. M.

I don't see how six bankrupt business men could call themselves judges. They are of the lowest grade of skunks since Lincoln's assassination—typical Wall St. bootblacks. Their jobs should have been snake charmers. Hope they won't be fooling everybody all the time. Instead of sending $1 a month I decided to send $55 to help McCarthy and McCarran get honest jobs after the next election — or maybe Hoover will give them appointments in Formosa. $5 is to help those two boys whose parents died in Sing Sing from the official tornado.

John Bender

How crazy can you get dept.

BERLIN, July 14 (AP)—Hundreds of hungry East Berliners gave the lie to Communist claims of ample food today, storming across the sector border to take advantage of a West Berlin food relief program.

. . . The food was sold at just one-sixth the normal price.

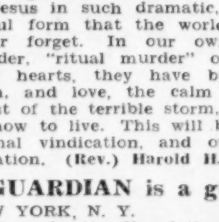
One-year free sub to sender of each item published under this heading. Above item clipped from Albuquerqe (N. M.) Tribune by unidentified Albuquerque reader.

Death in the classroom

GREAT NECK, N. Y.

I am 12 years old, entering 8th grade. After the Rosenbergs were killed our class discussed the case. I was horrified when the teacher said she believed in capital punishment because it cost too much to keep people in prison and to take so long in court. That's how some people are starting to think in this country. We can spend money on war but not on saving people's lives. A girl aged 11 got up and said she believed in capital punishment. I can understand why some adults do, but for a child to want people killed is beyond me. I said I believed them innocent but didn't argue since the whole class was against me.

Abot Lowen



Meaning of crucifixion

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Once I thought St. Paul's emphasis on the crucifixion of Jesus was out of proportion. Now I know it was not an over-statement, but the tragic event which set the life of Jesus in such dramatic, meaningful form that the world could never forget. In our own legal murder, "ritual murder" of these dear hearts, they have by their faith, and love, the calm in the midst of the terrible storm, taught us how to live. This will be their eternal vindication, and our own salvation.

(Rev.) Harold H. Hester

GUARDIAN is a guide

NEW YORK, N. Y.

I have kept a file of the GUARDIAN since Vol. I, No. 1, and the weekly summaries of news of war and peace provide a much sounder guide to history than the N. Y. Times index. But your greatest service was taking on the Rosenberg Case in face of official terror and complete silence on the part of all other media of communication. This took great courage and faith; both have been overwhelmingly justified by the worldwide support that was eventually enlisted.

Mary Jane Keeney

No angels

LISLE, ILLINOIS

Any genuine radical knows that with very few exceptions nations are controlled and national policies formulated on the basis of expediency rather than principle. I, for one, find it difficult to believe that there is such an amazing contrast between the Pentagon and the Kremlin. Do you ever, in your more lucid moments, suspect that Russians are not all angels and our leaders not all devils? If one accepts your view one is to believe that Russia is always right, and America is always wrong.

You are to be congratulated for your stand on the Rosenberg Case and your opposition to American brands of fascism; but we have no monopoly on iniquity, as your paper implies. As an objective journal the GUARDIAN falls far short of the mark.

Eugene Wm. Kreves
Lisle Congregational Church

The Beria case

E. PEPPERELL, MASS.

The case of Beria's arrest requires some serious thinking and honest reporting of whatever information can be found. If Beria was bad, the question arises as to why he was allowed to hold office so long, with the resulting suspicion that others—perhaps Stalin included—may have been equally bad. If Beria was good, the question arises as to what kind of people the Soviet has in office now, with the resulting suspicion that something short of honest government exists there.

In either case the suspicion arises that Marxism is either not being applied there correctly or perhaps is not being applied there at all. Marxism can only exist where its exponents are honest and sincere. Let us not follow the ways of Christianity, where so many of its adherents preach goodness and mercy and practice greed and cruelty.

Far be it from me to exult in any criticism of the Soviet Union. But if criticism is deserved, it will be best to admit it as soon as we see it.

Al Amery

It's "unusual"

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Beria's removal was just as unusual as if Edgar Hoover of the FBI were to be removed tomorrow as being the enemy of the American people.

Harry Fries

Smashing the Constitution

MARTINS FERRY, OHIO

An inch of space is given to the news that the Senate has passed a bill to deprive witnesses before the American gestapo of their right to invoke the Fifth Amendment.

If the 5th can be annulled by mere Congressional action, so can all the other Amendments. An obvious effort is being made to jam this bill through before people become aware that it has even been introduced. The only constitutional way to repeal any part of the Constitution is by ratification by legislatures or "conventions" of three-fourths of the states within seven years (example, the repeal of the 18th by ratification of the 21st). Those who squalled so loudly during the FDR administration for a "return to constitutional government" had better get busy.

George F. Curry

More humanitarianism

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

On open letter to President Eisenhower:

"Dear Sir:

"We were deeply moved by your humanitarian gesture of food for the hungry people of E. Germany.

"Only a short time ago a Senate Agency reported infants of migratory workers dying of starvation in our State of California. So we suggest that you extend your humanitarianism to cover the many thousands in our state, and to the millions all over our country, who today do not get enough proper food. We hereby offer our services in distributing food to them as soon as you make it available."

(As we are about to mail this letter, AP reports (July 12) that a World War II veteran confessed setting one of the forest fires which resulted in the death of 15 fire-fighters; 14 of them were young men training for missionary careers. The report states: "Stanford P. Patton, 26, explained he needed money to feed his pregnant wife and three children and started the blaze Thursday in the hope of getting a fire-fighting job. He went to work Friday as an assistant cook with the crews fighting the fire. . . .")

David Grant, exec. dir.
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"I am persuaded myself that the good sense of the people will always be found to be the best army. They may be led astray for a moment, but will soon correct themselves."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

A report from a reader

COALGATE, OKLA.

Enclosed please find 1 buck. Wish it was more but I am all washed up for the present. Have been trying to get started in some kind of a living-making racket but up until today it has been mostly an out-going proposition—but still have hopes.

Peter E. Kremp

Paul Schnur's "crime"

NEW YORK, N. Y.

In a letter to President Eisenhower, the American Veterans for Peace protested the treatment of Corp. Paul Schnur, of San Francisco, Calif., who received a discharge from the Army, other than honorable.

This ex-POW, a recipient of the Bronze Star, wrote to his parents urging a cease-fire and peace in Korea. Need we state that the majority of the American people have echoed the same sentiments?

As veterans who fought to defend our democracy we urge a hearing be granted in this case, and an honorable discharge issued. To speak up for peace cannot be a crime.

Norman Wagner, Co-Chairman
American Vets for Peace

For Max Strulovich

CHICAGO, ILL.

The 6th Ward PP was saddened by the death of beloved member Max Strulovich on June 2 from a heart ailment. This illness did not come about overnight: he was a painter for Swift & Co. and the unhealthy work he did for 20 years, plus the struggle to build the Packinghouse Workers Union, took its toll. Max loved to talk about his union, and to listen to Robeson singing "Joe Hill"; he tried to pattern his life after Hill's.

To you, Max, we members of the 6th Ward pledge to do everything possible to bring about that world you longed for—a better world for all working people. Enclosed is $5 "in memoriam."

Roy Pleasant
6th Ward PP

How to hit McCarthyism

Sen. Joseph McCarthy has demanded deportation of the editor of the GUARDIAN, Cedric Belfrage. We have won two rounds in the fight to prevent this, with the help of hundreds of GUARDIAN readers who have rallied to the Belfrage Fight-Back Fund. We will need the help of every other reader when the fight resumes, which can be at any moment.

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HOW U. S. LABOR TSARS CONSPIRED WITH 'PROJECT X'

What really went on in E. Germany

ALEXANDER WERTH, **Nation** Paris correspondent (7/18), charged the "League of German Youth and other trouble-makers" with "staging the Berlin riots." This League—the BDJ (Bund Deutscher Jugend)—was exposed last October by the Prime Minister of Hesse (W. Germany) as a murder-terror gang, U. S.-directed and financed, with many prominent anti-Communists who oppose U. S.-Bonn policies on its list of proposed victims.

"X-Day," when BDJ was planning to strike, has repeatedly been defined in the W. German press as the day for "liberation" of E. Germany. Preparations for it have been largely directed by Bonn Minister for All German Affairs Jakob Kaiser, who has been charged with giving huge subsidies to BDJ. His ministry, a center for espionage and sabotage against E. Germany, has worked openly with neo-Nazis and with big-business and landlord groups planning to recover E. German holdings. A year ago Kaiser said: "The groundwork for X-Day is as good as completed."

"ADENAUER FORCES STUNNED": Why June 16? On June 10 the E. German government announced a series of reforms designed to make life easier and prepare for German unification. On June 11, **NYT** headlined its Bonn story: SOVIET SHIFT STUNS ADENAUER FORCES; Bonn Bloc Regards New Policy in E. Germany As Danger to Integration With West; Effect on Voting Feared. . . .

The week-end of June 13, Kaiser arrived in the U. S. sector of Berlin—as did Gen. Ridgway, newly-named U. S. Army Chief of Staff. Late on the 17th Kaiser boasted to newsmen that the "movement" in E. Germany that day was led by "former Wehrmacht soldiers" (**Tribune des Nations, 6/26**).

The role of the U. S.

Behind Kaiser and Bonn stood Secy. Dulles. On a visit to Bonn last February, he said (**NYT, 2/6**)

> . . . it would be dangerous and perhaps even catastrophic to pin the hopes of reunification on a four-power meeting at which the Soviet Union might retreat from its present position and discuss reunification in terms that might be practical for the West. . . . Unrest in E. Europe must be encouraged by decisive policies in the West. . . .

NYT reported from Bonn (3/1): "A much more vigorous, enterprising and imaginative U. S. policy toward the people of Eastern Europe and their Russians jailers is in the making." In the next four months, W. Berlin—site of innumerable espionage - terrorist centers (one correspondent counted more than 20)—was host to a stream of U. S. VIP's and Special Commissions, including Defense Secy. Wilson and former spy chief William Donovan.

"FREE WORLD STAKE": In mid-March, W. Berlin Mayor Reuter came to the U. S. and consulted with the President, Dulles, Mutual Security Director Stassen, and sought "to convey to the American public a sense of the great stake which the Free World has in the survival of Free Berlin." (Natl. Comm. to Welcome and Support Mayor Reuter, **NYT** ad, 3/17). The Committee quoted Reuter as writing:

> . . . The Western Allies have come to realize that here [in Berlin] they have the chance to win the fight against the Bolshevist system. . . . **This city is freedom's secret capital** [their emphasis]. You can count on us. We hope we can count on you.

DEMOCRACY AT WORK IN WESTERN GERMANY

This was May Day in Munich. A policeman with drawn pistol holds back a German whose crime was participating in the parade. The police took offense at banners protesting the European Army.

Labor arm of Project X

Signers included such tycoons as General Motors pres. Curtice, AFL pres. Meany, CIO pres. Reuther, Garment Union chief Dubinsky. The Meany-Reuther call to the President (GUARDIAN, 7/20) from the Stockholm Intl. Confedn. of Free Trade Unions meeting "for leadership in freeing the Soviet Zone," and Reuther's call over the U. S.-owned Berlin RIAS station to E. German workers to revolt, promising them weapons and money, were follow-ups. The N.Y. **Daily News** reported from Frankfurt (3/16):

> The AFL is sponsoring a spy organization in Berlin, it was disclosed here today. The AFL transmits approximately $10,000 a month to the U. S. Central Intelligence Agency, which in turn passes the money on to a group called the Kampfgruppe [combat group]. The Kampfgruppe . . . has a top-secret spy section whose operations are known only to U. S. Intelligence.

CIO-AFL "VIGILANTES": Westbrook Pegler wrote, citing a CIA source by name (N. Y. **Journal-American**, 1/15 & 29, 2/4, 7/17), that the CIO had given AFL and the Garment Workers Union about $3 million "to hire street fighters, to wage riots and terror in European nations." His charges were supported by a **Readers Digest** article (9/52) on the activities of AFL European representative Irving Brown, "a one-man OSS," who has organized "a whole army of vigilantes." Brown has been specially active in Germany.

The evidence points to this "army of vigilantes," organized by U. S. labor bureaucrats with U. S. Intelligence, as the clue to the E. German disturbances. A bona fide work stoppage by Berlin housing project workers on June 15, to protest the government's failure to answer an earlier protest against a 10% raising of work norms, was brief. That same day the goverment published a 10-point program to improve workers' conditions, raising wages and lowering norms. But next day the "East Bureau" took over, calling out some 4-6,000 construction workers who, marching in orderly fashion to the government buildings, were joined by W. Berlin hoodlums. The hoodlums broke up the demonstration after a colloquy between the workers and Heavy Industry Minister Selbmann, who promised to hear all complaints, answer all questions, and see that the lowering of the work norm was implemented.

"COULD START A WAR": On June 17, RIAS "from 5 a.m. broadcast to all parts of E. Germany details of plans for a general strike" (**NYT, 6/23**). (Stewart Alsop, 7/20, said one Berlin diplomat phoned the director of RIAS at midnight June 16 and said: "I hope you know what you're doing. You could start a war that way.") "East Bureau" agents in the factories issued a general strike call. In some places it fell on receptive ears. The government had had no time to explain or implement the new policy; resentment over the old norms still existed in factories where they had not yet been reduced.

NYT (6/13) described how "loudspeaker trucks toured W. Berlin streets urging workers to join their brethren in fighting the E. German regime." The **Tribune des Nations** correspondent saw some 3,000 workers from the Soviet zone enter the French zone about 8:30 a.m., return two hours later, 20,000-strong, accompanied by Social Democratic cars equipped with loudspeakers. "East Bureau" leaders took foreign correspondents at the height of the rioting to meet leaders of the "apparatus" at every street corner and thus prove its smooth functioning.

With martial law declared in E. Berlin after the Western hoodlums began looting, arson and violence, and with the borders closed for two weeks, the U. S. press headlined reports of strikes throughout E. Germany. When E. Berlin was opened to the West July 9, Walter Sullivan reported (**NYT, 7/10**) it

> . . . appeared almost normal, with no evidence of strikes and only a few signs left of the upheaval that threatened to upset the E. German government. . . . The E. Berlin press sought to ridicule reports of new strikes and disorders in the Soviet sector. . . . The appearance of E. Berlin today would seem to indicate these accounts were exaggerated.

U. S. GANGSTERISM: Most recent strike reports have named only the Jena optical works and the Merseberg synthetic rubber plant, in both of which anti-communist organizations were reported active last winter. But nobody questions that average rank-and-file workers were involved in the demonstrations and had genuine grievances, most of which the government seems to have met.

The attempt by Washington's Project X and its labor arm to turn orderly strikes into violent uprising failed. But Washington, undaunted, has already launched its "food for starving E. Germans" provocation, and even begun dropping leaflets over E. German airports.

Washington's operations against E. Germany are already close to open war. At worst, they can explode into World War; at best they are making the U. S. a gangster nation, seeking to terrorize humanity.

Deeds (not words)

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- Promised a $1 million contribution (Poland promised $75,000) to UN's technical assistance fund for underdeveloped countries.
- Sent an ambassador to Yugoslavia for the first time since the break with Tito.

THE WRECKERS: Meanwhile new opposition to a Korea truce was implied by Syngman Rhee when he denied promising to honor an armistice "at all costs" (**AP, 7/22**). Peking radio renewed charges that the U. S. had made secret agreements with Rhee that could add to S. Korean "potentialities" to wreck a truce. From Washington, Robert S. Allen reported that Senate Foreign Relations committeemen were "startled when shown details of the secret 10-point agreement" worked out between Rhee and Asst. Secy. of State Robertson: it called for the U. S. to build up a 22-division S. Korean army, "plus a sizable navy and air force," at a cost of "upwards of $600 million."

To the UN Economic & Social Council in Geneva came the "staggering" news (**NYT, 7/21**) that Washington had drastically cut its contribution to the UN technical assistance fund, and that the House Appropriations Comm. had eliminated any U. S. contribution to the UN Children's Fund.

FRANCE "FED UP": Most startled and staggered of all were Frenchmen of every political hue as reports came in of Foreign Minister Bidault's talks with Dulles about the Indo-China war. Editorialist Fabiani of the anti-Communist **Combat** saw signs of "a permanent conspiracy . . . to impose on France a war with which France is completely fed up. . . . France will not honor these undertakings." Said **Franc-Tireur:** "Frenchmen obviously want no more of this war. . . ."

Le Monde's J. J. Servan-Schreiber, top political commentator, accused Bidault of handing over control of the war to the U. S., depriving France of any power to negotiate peace as the whole country wishes to do. The French Foreign Ministry denied this, but Servan-Schreiber pointed out that both Dulles and the French puppet government in Vietnam oppose negotiations and favor "military victory"—which is generally considered impossible.

STILL WRECKING: London's **New Statesman** expressed profound British disappointment with the Washington Foreign Ministers' Conference decision on a four-power, highest-level meeting. Such a meeting as had been urged by Churchill — unlimited and informal, "not overhung by ponderous or rigid agenda or led into mazes and jungles of technical detail"—had "roused the hopes of millions throughout the world." But instead of this, the Foreign Ministers had called for a ministerial-level conference with a rigid agenda confined to Germany and Austria, and with Western powers "irrevocably committed" in advance to Atlantic rearmament, the Schuman Plan, etc.

Deploring that U. S. officials "have regained complete control over the Western allies," the **New Statesman** concluded that the restrictions in the Washington communique have made "a genuine effort at peace-making as difficult as possible."

AS REUTHER AND MEANY LIBERATE BERLIN

CIO-AFL unions joining as top leadership stalls

By Lawrence Emery

MOVES for unity in the U.S. labor movement—AFL, CIO and some independents—are being made on two levels: among top officials and among lesser leaders on an industry or plant basis. Most progress is being made at the lower level. Unity talks between CIO's Walter Reuther and AFL's George Meany, begun shortly after both assumed leadership of their respective organizations, so far have produced nothing but a tentative no-raiding agreement. The pact is yet to be ratified by both groups and will not be operative until Jan. 1, 1954, with a two-year limit. But there are signs that even this agreement might be abrogated before it goes into effect.

On June 24 CIO exec. vice-pres. John Riffe, commenting on press reports of "the alleged imminent merger of three CIO unions with three unions of the AFL," said: "The facts simply do not bear out these sensationalized stories and predictions." On June 30 **Labor's Daily** quoted Reuther:

> "I'd like to say that all this talk about the disintegration of the CIO has been appearing in print since 1937, but the CIO has continued to prove stronger since those days. I am confident, based upon my conversations with CIO affiliates, that no one will pull out except as part of an overall unity movement by the parent body. I term the speculation without any foundation."

BREWERY MERGER: Even as Reuther spoke, a CIO Brewery Workers Committee was discussing a bid from Dave Beck, head of the powerful AFL Teamsters Union, to merge with his organization. The brewery workers needed the protection the teamsters could provide: today 15 companies produce 90% of all U.S. beer and their output is double that of the 850 breweries in existence in 1933. On June 27 Henry Bartels, Brewery Workers exec. board member, resigned from the merger committee and wired union pres. Karl Feller:

> "I take this action because I am convinced that your hasty efforts to make a deal with the teamsters are based solely on selfish personal interest with the objective of perpetuating yourself and a few others in office at high salaries."

REUTHER BURNS WIRE: Later the brewers' N.Y. joint board held a caucus of locals in Chicago, worked out a 12-point list of principles for a merger, including full autonomy for brewery locals. Beck agreed to them, and ten N.Y. locals with approximately 10,000 members joined the teamsters. It is reported that some 15 other locals are committed to the transfer but have still to vote on it. In Pittsburgh court action halted the shift of three brewery locals there. But eventual uniting of the two organizations seems inevitable.

Although the merger of the N.Y. locals was clearly a matter of the membership choosing its own affiliation, Reuther denounced the move as a "raid" by the teamsters. From Stockholm, where he was united with Meany in demands for liberation of E. Berlin and E. German workers (GUARDIAN, July 20, he phoned approval of a CIO statement that said:

> "It is equally clear that these raids by the Teamsters Union leadership violate the spirit of the tentative no-raiding agreements worked out by the responsible leaders of the CIO and AFL. In fact, they seriously jeopardize that entire constructive program."

CIO's utility workers are reported discussing a similar merger with AFL's Intl. Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

"HAPPY DAY" IN MEAT: Last April an exchange of letters between Patrick Gorman, secy.-treas. of the AFL Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butcher Workmen, and top leaders of the CIO United Packinghouse Workers, was made public; the AFL union's paper commented on them editorially:

> It will be a happy day for the men and women in the meat industry when there shall be but one union representing them.

In May the AFL union was invited to attend the CIO union's national wage conference in Chicago. By July 2, after six months of unity discussions, both unions signed an agreement to provide "machinery for cooperative action." Some 250,000 workers are involved. The agreement pledges the unions to strive for joint negotiations with the companies; neither to sign a contract without the approval of the other; full co-operation in event of a strike; no raids. This statement was issued:

> "Both organizations recognize that the real solution to the problems of the American worker rests in the eventual unity of all labor organizations in one federation. It is our hope and desire that such objectives can be realized, and to that end we will continue our efforts to achieve organic unity of all workers within the jurisdiction of our two organizations and the labor movement as a whole."

FIGHT LOOKS SERIOUS: By last week it was clear the two unions will need all the unity they can achieve; preliminary talks with Cudahy Packing Co. indicated the industry's Big Four will fight joint negotiations, resist all wage demands. Cudahy's vice-pres. James Feeney told union representatives: "The Cudahy Packing Co. doesn't have anything to offer." The CIO **Packinghouse Worker** commented:

> Feeney's arrogant statement, foreshadowing similar stiff resistance from the rest of the industry, reinforced the opinions of UPWA leaders that victory this year will require the most sustained and united fight ever waged in the union's history.

"MAXIMUM SOLIDARITY": Two other unions, AFL Boot & Shoe and CIO United Shoe Workers, are seeking to negotiate joint agreements this year. Both have announced full co-operatio[illegible] contract talks with two big compan[illegible] open in September. CIO's Marine Engineers Beneficial Assn. and AFL's Masters, Mates & Pilots are exploring the possibility of united action. Even Harry Lundeberg, an officer in both AFL's Seafarers Intl. Union and the Sailors Union of the Pacific, and Joe Curran, head of CIO's Natl. Maritime Union, have exchanged friendly letters suggesting co-operation.

Reuther's own UAW has for four years maintained a no-raiding pact with the AFL's Intl. Assn. of Machinists; last month the two unions announced an extension of the pact to include united action against employers and mutual aid during strikes. The two unions said:

> "It will enable workers in the same or similar industries to work effectively for the solution of their common problems, contribute to the development of maximum labor solidarity, unionizing of the unorganized and the ultimate achievement of a united labor movement to which all organized labor aspires."

THE WAY TO WIN: Last May, to prepare for contract negotiations, the independent Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers Union called a wage conference attended by 46 delegates from 18 locals of other unions holding contracts with the Anaconda Copper Co. Last month Mine, Mill reiterated its desire for

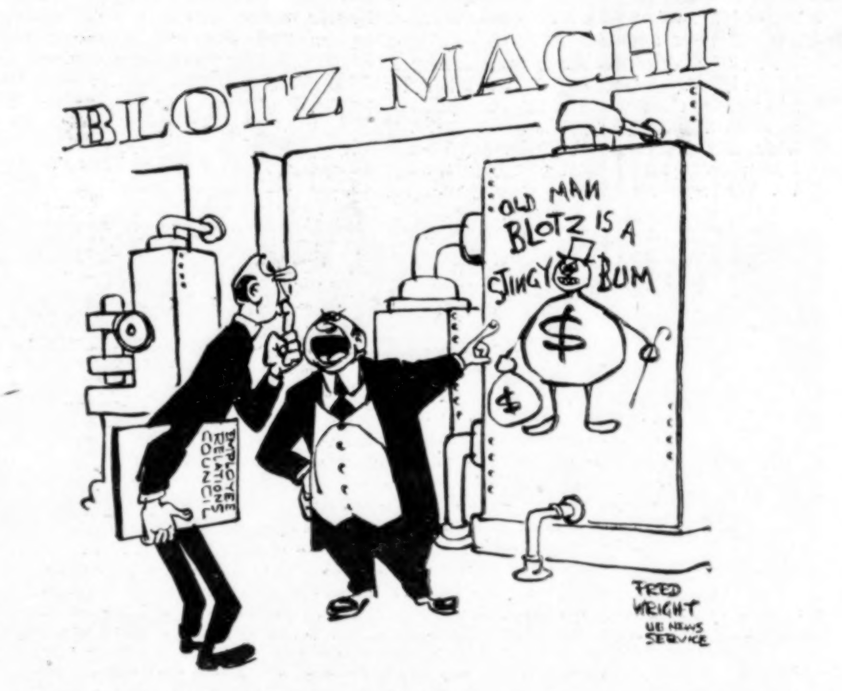
> ". . . unity of the workers in our own industry, regardless of their union affiliation. Such unity can defeat the strategy of the employers [illegible] keep our ranks divided while th[illegible] industry is endangered by an economic crisis. A joint bargaining struggle on the part of all unions in the industry is the way to win our wage and contract demands this year, and conduct an effective fight against the consequences of growing crisis in basic sections of the industry."

A coalition embracing the CIO Oil Workers Intl. Union and 21 smaller independent and AFL unions in the industry has been in existence since November, 1951. Recently the CIO's **Intl. Oil Workers** reported that success of the coalition has "the oil companies confused, saddened and . . . scared."

FORCED TOWARD UNITY: Meanwhile, on a higher level, reports and rumors persist that CIO's huge Steelworkers Union might merge with John L. Lewis' independent United Mine Workers. Late last month Steelworker pres. David J. McDonald conferred for two hours with Lewis in what was supposed to be a secret meeting. Reuther has repeatedly denied that any su[illegible] move is afoot; on June 26 he said "tha[illegible] [a merger of steel and coal] isn't going to happen. There is no question the steel workers are in the CIO family and are going to stay in the CIO family."

Latest rumors are that Dave Beck may be involved in a possible teamster-miner-steelworker federation; last week Beck denied that one, too.

But Washington's Big Business administration and a consequent tougher attitude by employers is forcing labor to seek ways and means to unite, especially at the plant and industry level.



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Justice Dept. tries new tack to rob Bridges of his citizenship

FOR 19 years West Coast employer groups and the U.S. government have been trying to deport Harry Bridges, president of the militant and effective Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union. A fourth effort was recently defeated by the Supreme Court which threw out convictions of Bridges and two other union officers on a charge that Bridges had lied in naturalization proceedings in 1945, when he swore that he was not and never had been a Communist Party member.

Last week an anonymous spokesman of the Justice Dept. disclosed that the government plans yet another try to deprive Bridges of citizenship and send him back to his native Australia. Bridges was in Honolulu when the news became known, but informal comment at his San Francisco headquarters was: "Here we go again!"

"A WORLD SCANDAL": The Justice Dept. now plans to re-activate an old civil suit to revoke Bridges' citizenship; this proceeding was set aside in favor of the recent criminal prosecution. The civil suit is not covered by the statute of limitations—the ground upon which the Supreme Court reversed the criminal convictions. "Evidence" in the new proceeding will be the same as that used in the four previous actions, described by the union as "stoolpigeon evidence." Said the ILWU:

> If it is true that the Justice Dept. has decided again to attempt to denaturalize and deport Harry Bridges, it will represent the most outrageous persecution of an individual ever to be recorded in the annals of American jurisprudence.
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> It would be the fifth attempt by government agencies to behead the ILWU by framing its elected leadership, and would be a scandal of national and international proportions. . . . It will be fought with everything at our command, and exposed and defeated as we have exposed and defeated all the others.
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> Every decent person will ask, "Where is the conscience of America?"

"TIME TO HALT": The union's Portland, Ore., Local 8, one of the four largest, sent this wire to Atty. Gen. Herbert Brownell:

> If another indictment is issued against ILWU pres. Harry Bridges, the rank-and-file Portland longshoremen will hold stop-work meetings for an indefinite period and will recommend to all longshoremen on the Pacific Coast to do likewise to bring to the attention of the public the political persecution of our union and officers, which has continued for a period of 19 years. The time has come to call a halt to the endless harassment of the ILWU and its leadership.

Other locals in San Francisco, Seattle and San Pedro have expressed approval of the stop-work idea.

Meanwhile, the House Committee on Un-American Activities announced it was considering questioning Bridges "about communism."

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THE MAYORALTY SWEEPSTAKES

Democrats brawl over party slate; GOP plays to lose — you pay 15c

NEW YORK political candidates were looking in odd places for scandals to be cleaned up. For example, Acting Postmaster Harold Riegelman—an Army reserve colonel who is competing with Rep. Henry J. Latham for the GOP mayoralty candidacy — intervened in a brisk, well-publicized communique to end the scandal of mailmen with unshined shoes. "This condition," he said, "must end forthwith"; mailmen's shoes would hereafter be checked "for color and polish." His opponent, Rep. Latham, had no immediate reply but was still credited with the edge over the postmaster.

An earlier semi-military effort by Dist. Atty. Hogan to dress up a routine bookie raid as a city-wide emergency had backfired, and when the smoke cleared Hogan had moved far down the list of Democratic hopefuls.

CARMINE G. DeSAPIO
Who's boss?

IMPY'S CHARADE: Mayor Impellitteri performed more deftly at City Hall. With 15c-fare tokens on sale last week (the boost is effective Saturday, July 25), New Yorkers were sensitive. Ephraim F. Jeffe, the Mayor's appointee on the Transit Authority, proved handy. Though agreeing to serve on the TA with its built-in fare boost, Jeffe balked when it came to signing the fare rise into effect. The gesture was futile so far as straphangers were concerned but more useful to the Mayor, who from the start insisted the deal was forced on him—that he was exacting a 50% fare rise with painful reluctance.

To underscore the reluctance Jeffe resigned from the TA, allowing the Mayor a chance to make the papers with a letter to Jeffe accepting his resignation and adding:

"I concur with your view that the 15c fare is an arbitrary figure, hastily imposed, and have said so publicly."

ROBERT F. WAGNER JR.
His father's name

DEMOCRATS BRAWL: The performance in other circles seemed less rehearsed. The five county leaders of the Democratic Party had been caucusing for two weeks. Last Monday they broke up in a row in the corridor outside the Presidential Suite on the 22d floor of the Hotel Commodore. With reporters present, the Democratic leaders charged each other with long-standing sabotage, trickery and red taints.

The brawl stemmed from the conviction of some leaders that the Mayor was a sure loser. (The **Daily News** poll showed him trailing.) When the leaders first got down to the business of picking a candidate, the Mayor could count only on James A. Roe of Queens and Jeremiah H. Sullivan of Richmond; but he also had the influence of Coca Cola's James Farley and reportedly a number of high Catholic churchmen on his side. He plainly threatened that if denied the designation he would split the party forces in a primary fight; if that failed, he might run as an independent.

THEY CAN'T AGREE: With the city's electorate torn at least five ways, the threat of a split within Democratic ranks was serious. Brooklyn party leader Kenneth F. Sutherland, who five weeks ago agreed that the Mayor wouldn't have a chance, last week cast the deciding vote in his favor.

Later the three bosses nominated Brooklyn assistant DA Julius Helfand for City Council President and Councilman Charles E. Keegan of the Bronx for Controller. The N. Y. **Times** said Keegan was seriously miffed when the party machine in the Bronx offered him only another nomination for the Council and switched sides when Impellitteri forces suggested the Controller's job.

Tammany Hall's Carmine G. DeSapio and Rep. Charles A. Buckley (representing Bronx boss Edward J. Flynn) held out. The meeting broke up hopelessly divided and the leaders kept tossing verbal punches in the corridor. Buckley, who complained of "high-handed methods," told reporters:

"We asked Kenny [Sutherland] about Judge Leibowitz [already named by the Fusion Party] and he said that he couldn't trust Judge Leibowitz, if he were elected. Judge Leibowitz is holding a high office now, and if he can't be trusted, he shouldn't be in it. . . . As to Roe, I just can't figure about him. He always backs the wrong candidate. It's about time he listened to someone else. . . ."

He added caustically: "Maybe Kenny's mind has been changed since the 15c fare came in. Kenny said that at his age he had to get a winner."

SABOTAGE! Roe angrily told Buckley he had sabotaged the campaigns of Mayors O'Brien (1933) and Pecora (1950), and James J. Bennett's race for the governorship in 1942.

Buckley: "You're wrecking the Democratic Party. And we are not going to let you and Sutherland wreck the Democratic Party in New York City."

Roe: "You're not going to have anything to say about it."

Into a TV microphone later Buckley appealed to Sutherland:

"If you want to break the back of the party, this is the way to start. You are just going to cut the legs from right under the party."

PINKOS, LEFTIES, ETC.: Later DeSapio and Buckley formally challenged the other leaders to a primary fight. In a public statement regretting the "Mr. Impellitteri or else" ultimatum, the two said:

"The enrolled Democrats are entitled to express themselves in a primary election. . . . We want and the people want a candidate whose program and record spell out the Roosevelt-Smith, Lehman-Wagner concept of social reform and good government."

The split took on an ideological tone rarely used by one boss to another. While Tammany's DeSapio claimed Roosevelt's mantle, Impellitteri's champion Roe denounced "a group of so-called Liberals that are a mixture of pinkos, lefties, racketeers and political mixed breeds that want to exploit our wonderful city. Unfortunately some of them form the Fifth Column in the Democratic Party." Roe's language indicated the thinking of the Farley Democrats.

A GOOD FATHER: The man chosen by the Manhattan and Bronx bosses was Manhattan Borough Pres. Robert F. Wagner Jr. He had in his favor a name that meant much to labor. His father authored the Wagner Act, cornerstone of New Deal labor legislation. Beyond that there was little in his record to commend him except a willingness to work well with party machinery. DeSapio said he would announce Wagner's running mates soon.

In Wagner's corner were Sen. Herbert H. Lehman and probably a good deal of liberal Democratic Party sentiment. Wagner could compete with Halley for those who still look to the old parties for FDR's heir.

BLOOM OFF HALLEY: For the first time in the jockeying, labor took a stand. A committee on the mayoralty appointed by the CIO city council sent wires to all five Democratic Party leaders indicating that Wagner was the only one CIO could support.

It was not an outright CIO support of Wagner against all other candidates in all parties, but it took the bloom off Halley supporters who hoped to rally all liberal and labor sentiment. No labor officials, other than David Dubinsky of the Intl. Ladies Garment Workers, have yet indicated support for Halley.

The scramble left most New Yorkers perplexed: Tammany Hall, once chosen as the bugaboo, was being presented as the home for labor and liberals and being red-baited to prove it.

FOR CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Meet Charles Stewart

THERE is a line in Charles Stewart's history that runs from the Mayflower to Holy Trinity Parish in Brooklyn, to the headmastership of a N. Y. private school to the Belfrage Defense Fund (which he directs) to his present campaign for presidency of the City Council on the American Labor Party ticket. He thinks it's a straight line, a logical development. A good deal of U.S.—particularly N. Y.—tradition is soaked up in the Stewart family line. Mr. Stewart, 59, of 65 University Pl., Manhattan, finds the best of that tradition summed up in the ALP program, will campaign for it as a living creed.

CHARLES STEWART
In the tradition

Robert Cushman, Stewart's ancestor, contributed heavily to the fund drive that floated the Mayflower. Years later when the immigrant family had settled, another member Benjamin Harrison, was on hand to sign the Declaration of Independence.

HOOPERATED TEACHER: For 14 generations the family's children have gone to school in Manhattan. Chas. Stewart's three daughters went to public school (the youngest, Josie, is in high school now) and in all the 14 generations the kids never faced a tougher classroom set-up.

Schools will get the full emphasis of the ALP candidate's campaign, since he is primarily an educator. He taught for 20 years and served as headmaster of the Roger Ascham School in White Plains. (He gave it up because he came to see the private school as an anachonism in modern U. S.)

In New Deal days Stewart ran a radio program of "education in the meaning of the Bill of Rights," sponsored by an organization in which he was a prominent leader, the American Union for Democracy. The show starred Fredric March, Florence Eldridge and William Hanley, and was the first educational program to win a Hooper rating. His point, then and now, was the "vitality of the Bill of Rights—which is why it is under such heavy attack."

GOOD WORKS: Shocked by anti-Semitism, Stewart was also director of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League. During the war the teacher-scholar-lecturer-world traveler took a job as a factory hand at the New Jersey plant of American Cyanimid.

Stewart's father, an Episcopalian minister, gave him a religious foundation he relies on. An active member of his church, Holy Trinity in Brooklyn, Stewart believes in a fighting day-to-day Christianity that counts as the best of good works the organization of a Belfrage Defense Fund and a street-corner campaign for the ALP

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Reporter who defied probe fired in Albany

THREE years ago Edward A. Rumely, head of upstate N. Y. publisher Frank Gannett's Committee for Constitutional Government, refused to answer questions of a Congressional committee as to the source of funds used for lobbying activities. He cited the First and Fourth Amendments. The Gannett press backed him and a contempt conviction was set aside by the courts.

Last week the use of the Fifth Amendment by a Gannett reporter facing a Congressional witch-hunt committee was declared "gross misconduct" and grounds for dismissal by Gannett's Albany (N. Y.) **Knickerbocker News.**

The reporter was Janet Scott, best-known newspaperwoman in the N. Y. State capital and a **Knickerbocker News** reporter for 27 years. She used the Fifth Amendment as a witness during a four-day session in Albany of Rep. Velde's House Committee on Un-American Activities, supposedly staged to interrogate state employes.

A founder of the American Newspaper Guild (CIO) in Albany, Miss Scott will receive, if her firing sticks, 30 weeks' severance pay as a result of Guild contracts she has helped negotiate with Albany publishers.

Miss Scott has been active in CIO affairs as a Newspaper Guild officer, and was the ALP's candidate for Congress in her home district in 1950.

THEY DON'T LIKE THE SYSTEM BUT THE CHANGING IS UP TO GOD

126,000 Jehovah's Witnesses meet in New York convention

By Elmer Bendiner

ALL of last month some 4,000 canvassers covered the city in an organized search for rooms in hotels and private homes. At the same time on the flat lands near Dunnellen, N. J., 40 miles from the city, engineers, carpenters, workmen of all kinds laid out a trailer-camp city to house 20,000 people. They brought in electric power, laid water lines, built an administration building, showers, toilet facilities, two large food stores, a kitchen with food coolers and a cafeteria set to serve 15,000 meals a day.

Streets grew up on the meadow with names like Kingdom Av., Psalms Av., Awake Av. The canvassers for rooms, the engineers, the pipe layers and the workmen on the houses at Trailer City asked no pay. Each regards himself as a fully-ordained minister, preaching the "coming of a New World Society, a new system of things that will replace today's tired, worn-out and discouraging old world. . . . Today we face the worst of times. Ahead, however, are the best of times."

STADIUM RECORD: Once a year Jehovah's Witnesses gather in convention. Last week they came to New York by truck-and-trailer, car, ship and plane (15 airlines ran chartered flights.) By the time the "New World Society Assembly" opened at Yankee Stadium on Sunday, July 19, some 126,000 Witnesses were on hand.

In the stands and on the extra seats in the infield were 82,861—a bigger crowd than ever jammed the stadium for a world series game. Thousands more could not get seats and filled the corridors or listened to loudspeakers in the street outside. Some 40,000 others listened at the New Jersey trailer city to a broadcast piped in over telephone wires.

EVERYBODY PRESENT: Still others listened to portions of the day's preaching over radios. Inside the stadium banks of flowers and balsam fir were ranged in front of a speaker's stand about where the pitcher's box is. Around the grandstand were signs like travel posters with a touch of the booster in them (a spokesman explained that witnesses also served as volunteer sign painters). Some of them read:

"Our lamps are lit . . . Virgin Islands"; "Our joy is great . . . Little Luxembourg"; "Progressive Venezuela greets you"; "Count Korea present"; "Here with you for the first time . . . Uganda"; "Singapore, the Lion City roars"; Pakistan says salaam." (It was pointed out that Arabs, not Pakistani, say salaam; a Witness official promised to look into the matter.)

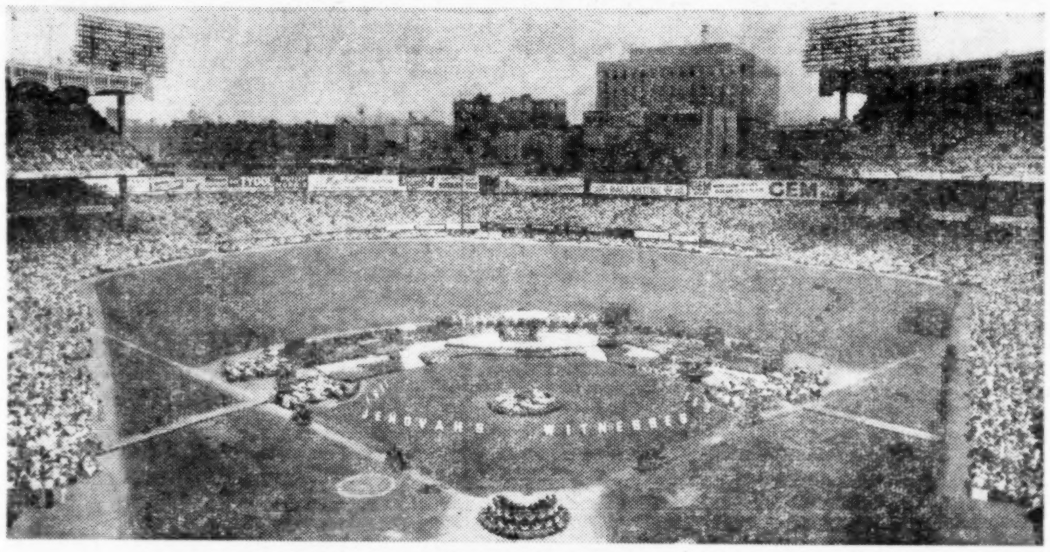
The first condition

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Thank goodness for Marc's speech relative to the future of the American Labor Party. Also welcome was the fact that Marc draws the line against nominating in order to just put "someone" on the ballot. I'm not so proud of ALP's record in endorsing far too many Democratic and Republican "winners" on the ALP ticket. I want our candidates to represent us as the first condition of their nomination. I look with renewed hope and courage to the type of leadership that Marc offers in this speech.

Bea Richman

"FALSE RELIGION": The first day's sermons were severe. Albert D. Schroeder, registrar of the Bible School of Gilead, inveighed against "Satan's Broadway of Babylonish, slavish wrong-thinking . . . lined with the show-houses of false religion" catering to the "lust of the eye." Nathan H. Knorr, president of the Watchtower Bible & Tract Society, assailed the "religious shepherds" who have "followed and supported the secular shepherds in their political schemes."



THE YANKEES NEVER GOT A CROWD LIKE THIS

This is the way the Stadium looked on the convention's opening day

Sunday was "Earth's Four Quarters Day" at the stadium. The rest of the convention week was planned this way: Monday, "North American Day"; Tuesday, "Islands of the Atlantic Day"; Wednesday, "South American Day" (the morning was to be taken up with the baptism of some thousands of adults by total immersion in the Riverside Cascade Pool, 134th St. and Broadway); Thursday, "Asia Day"; Friday, "Africa Day"; Saturday, "Europe Day"; Sunday, (July 25), "Islands of the Pacific Day."

Moving energy

For most New Yorkers who spotted Witnesses (wearing little framed name-plates for convention badges) or had literature put into their hands on the streets, or received lectures from Witness cab drivers, the big mystery lay in the source of energy and zeal apparently without comparison in U. S. life. To progressives trying to move Americans into action the Witnesses offered their **own** revelation, stirred questions.

The Witness view is that "we are living in the last days" and the "time of the end" began in 1914 with the beginning of world wars. It will wind up with the "battle of the Great Day of God Almighty." Precisely when that will be no Witness knows, but sees his mission to travel the world and warn people of the Day of Judgment. It may come soon, giving rise to a Witness slogan: "Many now living will live forever."

LEAVE IT TO GOD: The Witnesses see themselves as Noahs gathering a handful together in the face of the Flood. After the "Great Day" the world will not end. They see no disintegration of the earth but only a "change in the system."

As much as they hate the present system of wars, corruption and persecution, they leave the changing of it to God. They see no point in voting or trade union membership, though they leave it up to each Witness (a minister in his own right) to decide. They fight no wars (except the final God's war) but see only futility in peace movements. They take no part in politics or government, following the rule: "Keep separate from the world."

JUST A HANDFUL: Asked what would happen to the country if the Witnesses converted a majority which would then have nothing to do with the mundane business of government, a Witness spokesman smiled, said they could hope to gather together only a handful at best and so the point was academic. He did say that the kingdom of heaven on earth, when it comes, would probably not be a democracy at all but a theocracy "operating from the head down not the bottom up."

As long as the Witnesses reject participation in war or politics, children of Witness parents such as Dwight D. Eisenhower must choose between personal ambitions and the parental faith. (Dwight Jacob and Ida Elizabeth Stover Eisenhower were ardent Witnesses from 1895 on. The President's father was buried as a Witness at a Witness funeral.)

PERSONAL PEACEMAKERS: Authoritative Witnesses talking in the trophy-littered press club of the Yankee Stadium, resolutely parried all scriptural passages that call for a here-and-now fight. They interpret "Blessed are the peacemakers" in the Sermon on the Mount as applying only to personal animosities, an injunction to patch-up quarrels between brothers. (All Witnesses are addressed as brother and sister.) They see in that text no assignment to make peace between nations. That, they say, will come about through God alone.

The Witnesses are militantly determined monastics without a monastery, preachers inveighing against any kind of church. Their faith has enabled them to stand for hours on street corners selling copies of the Bible & Tract Society's magazines, **Watchtower** and **Awake**; ring doorbells in the face of ridicule; go to jail rather than violate their principles. They tangle with the government not only over war resistance but over saluting the flag, "a graven image"; they also reject blood transfusions because the Bible enjoins all "eating of blood," and they would rather risk a "temporary death" until judgment day than incur divine disfavor.

REAL ESTATE: The zeal and contributions of rank-and-file Witnesses has built a 10-story headquarters building at 124 Columbia Hgts., Brooklyn; a six-story press building at 117 Adams St., Brooklyn, that last year turned out 4,741,887 books, 7,376,041 pamphlets, 46,135,424 magazines; a School of Gilead at South Lansing, N. Y., that turns out full-time missionaries who "get the call"; a radio station, WBBR of B'klyn.

Staff members are paid $12 a month (a $2 raise went into effect several years ago) but live comfortably since room, board, laundry, tailoring service, clothes and transportation are all paid for.

Troubles in court

The Witnesses' answer to the world's woes is to withdraw from the world; they take a lot of punishment in fighting for the right to withdraw (but not as much as is taken by Christian groups fighting for the right to do something about it —such as the People's Institute of Applied Religion, whose militant this-worldly Bible interpretation brands it "subversive.")

The Bible & Tract Society founded in 1872, ran into its big troubles in the first world war when its president, "Judge" Joseph Franklin Rutherford, a Missouri lawyer, was jailed for counseling draft evasion. Since then the Witnesses are constantly in the courts on flag salute, conscientious objection, blood transfusion cases. The Supreme Court has handed down 29 decisions covering 46 cases involving the Witnesses; 20 were favorable, 9 unfavorable.

CONSTRUCTIVE CONTESTS: To combat the unfavorable publicity given the charges, the Witnesses this year point to the number of cases brought against Witnesses in the socialist world and denounced "all subversive movements against the institutions of this world."

Whether they meant it or not, the Witnesses have played a part in the worldly battle for civil rights. Roger Baldwin of the American Civil Liberties Union, which has participated in the defense of many Witnesses, commented:

"By contesting in the courts every restriction on them, these Jehovah's Witnesses have won for you and me a degree of freedom we've never had before. In serving what they conceive to be the cause of God, they have served the cause of their fellow men."

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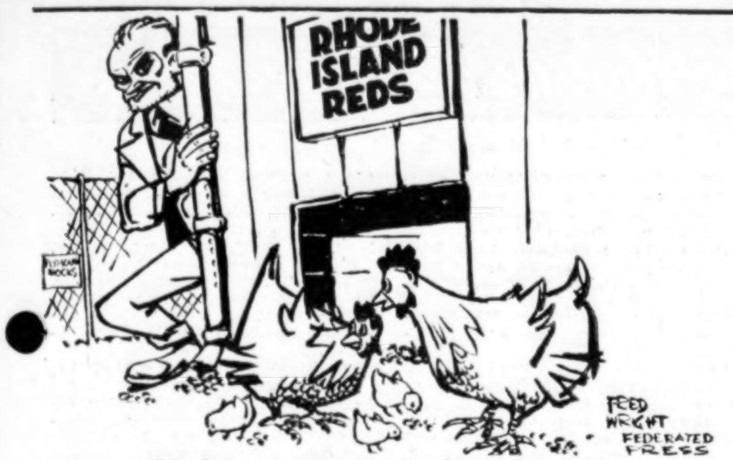

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AMER. MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, Central Park W. & 79th St. Free. Wed., July 29. **Praying Mantis; Pond Insects; Spiders.** 3:30 p.m.

MUSEUM OF CITY OF N. Y., 5th Av. & 103d St. Free. Wed., July 29, **Nature's Cameo; Rainbow of the Desert.** 3:30 p.m.

B'KLYN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM, B'klyn Av. & Park Pl. Free. Mon., July 27, 11 a.m., **Pigs and Elephants & Eskimo Children;** 2 p.m., **The Vanishing El & What Makes Day and Night;** 4 p.m., **Railroadin'.**

Tues., July 28, 11 a.m.: **Navajo Children & Airport;** 2 p.m., **Farm Animals & Pioneers of the Plains;** 4 p.m., **Fallen Eagle.**

Wed., July 29, 11 a.m.: **Beach and Sea Animals & Flatboatmen of the Ohio;** 2 p.m., **We Make A Fire & French Children;** 4 p.m., **Chile & Newspaper Story.**

Thurs., July 30, 11 a.m.: **Miracle on the Mesa & Who's Who at the Bronx Zoo;** 2 p.m., **Rhythm of Africa;** 4 p.m., **Pacific Island & Corn Farmer.**

Fri., July 31, 11 a.m.: **Common Animals of the Woods & The Fireman;** 2 p.m., **Story of a City — New York;** 4 p.m., **Ancient World Inheritance & Chemistry.**

BROADWAY THEATER, B'way & 49th St. **Jerry & Jumbo; Curtain Call; Out of the Earth**, July 25-8.

PINOCCHIO, Amer. Educ. Theater production adapted and directed by Kay Rockefeller. YM & YWHA Kaufman Auditorium, Lexington Av & 92d St. Mon., Tues. & Wed., July 27-29, 11 a.m. & 2:40 p.m. $1.20 & $1.80, half-price for groups of 10 or more. Call TR 6-2336.

Miscellaneous

MARIONETTE CIRCUS, Dept. of Parks. Free. Queens:

Mon., July 27, 11:30 & 2:30 p.m.—Cunningham Park, Union Turnpike & 192d St., Hollis.

Tues., July 28, 2 p.m.—Jacob Riis Park, Softball Area, Neponsit.

Wed., July 29, 2:30 p.m.—Alley Park, Springfield Blvd.

Thurs., July 30, 2:30 p.m.—St. Altans Playground, Merrick Rd. & Linden Blvd.

Fri., July 31, 2:30 p.m.—Linden Park, 104th St. & 41st Av., Corona.

BIKE & HIKE TRIPS: American Youth Hostel leadership. For teen-agers, others. 1-day trips open to non-members.

BIKE: To Roslyn and North Shore and swim at the beach. Meet Sun., July 26, 9 a.m., Woodhaven Blvd. & Queens, 10 a.m. at Hillside Av. & Queens Blvd.

HIKE: Eight miles in Harriman State Park by cool stream. Sun., July 26. $1.50.

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HIKE: Moderate with swimming. Meet 8:20 a.m. at Chambers St. Erie Ferry. Sun., Aug. 2. $1.90.

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Movie Suggestions

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Manhattan

AMERICAN, 236 E. 3d St. **Country Doctor** (Russ.) & **Our Relations** (Laurel & Hardy), July 30-31.

APOLLO, 233 W. 42d St. **Marriage in the Shadows & Interlude**, July 23-20.

ART, 36 E. 8th St. **Two Cents Worth of Hope**, thru July 31.

BARONET, 3d Av. at 59th. Magnani in **Volcano**, cont.

BEACON, B'way & 74th. **Two Cents Worth of Hope & Castles in the Air**, July 25-28.

BEEKMAN, 2d Av. bet. 65-66. **The Long Memory** (Br.), opens July 25.

BEVERLY, 3d Av. at 50th. Revivals from the '30's: **Destry Rides Again** (Dietrich & Stewart) & **It Happened One Night** (Colbert & Gable), July 26-28; **100 Men and a Girl** (Durbin-Stokowski) & **My Man Godfrey** (Powell-Lombard), July 29-Aug. 1.

8TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, 52 W. 8th. **Woman in the Window** ('45 melodrama) & **The Stranger** ('46 ditto), July 25-28; **Shane**, July 29-31.

BRYANT, 42d St. W. of 6th Av. **Gentleman's Agreement & Jackpot**, July 25-28.

5TH AV. PLAYHOUSE, 5th Av. & 13th St. **Promoter & Importance of Being Earnest** (both Br.), July 24-30.

GRAMERCY, 23d & Lexington. **Two Cents Worth of Hope** (It.), thru July 30; **Shane**, July 31-Aug. 4.

GREENWICH, Greenwich Av. & 12th St. **Strangers on a Train** (Br.) & **Soldiers Three** (Kipling in India), July 26-28; **Hans Christian Andersen**, July 29-Aug. 1.

HEIGHTS, 150 Wadsworth Av. **Lost Horizon & Commandos Strike at Dawn** (reissue), July 30-Aug. 2.

LITTLE CARNEGIE, 146 W. 57th. **Night Without Stars** (Br.), cont.

MIDTOWN, Bway & 100th. **Two Cents Worth of Hope & Castles in the Air**, July 25-28; **H. C. Andersen**, July 29-Aug. 1.

NORMANDIE, 110 W. 57th. **It Started in Paradise** (Br.), cont.

PLAZA, 58th & Madison. **Shane**, July 26-31.

68TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, 1164 3d Av. **Importance of Being Earnest**, thru July 26.

STANLEY, 7th Av. nr. 42d St. **Stars of the Ukraine**, continuing.

WAVERLY, 6th Av. at 3d St. **Woman in the Window & The Stranger**, July 28-29; **H. C. Andersen & Bear Country**, July 30-1.

WORLD, 153 W. 49th. **Rome 11 O'Clock**, cont.

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So This Is Paris (1926), July 27-Aug. 2.

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2 Cocteau films: **Orpheus & Eternal Return** (Tristan & Isolde story), Sun., July 26.

2 by Flaherty: **Nanook of the North & Tabu** (South Seas), Mon., July 27.

Heart of a Nation (Fr., Boyer, Raimu, Morgan) & Valentino in **The Eagle**, Tues., July 28.

2 on adolescent love: **Tomorrow Is Too Late** (It., DeSica, Angeli) & Colette's **Claudine** (Fr.), Wed., July 29.

Faithful City (Israel) & Harry Baur in **The Golem**, Thurs., July 30.

Passion for Life (Fr. real-life story of a teacher) & **The Quiet One**, Fri., July 31.

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Mon., July 27: Otto Frohlich, conductor; Mia Slavenska, Frederic Franklin and Theatre Ballet; Alexandra Danilova, guest artist.

Tues., July 28: All-orchestral, Thomas Schippers conducting Bizet, Dvorak, etc.

Wed., July 29: Schippers conducting: Isaac Stern, violin; Gregor Piatigorsky, cello.

Thurs., July 30: Schippers conducting all-Menotti program; Tossy Spivakovsky, violin; Eileen Farrell, soprano.

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A LETTER TO THE N.Y. POST COLUMNIST

How are you sleeping, Mr. Lerner?

Our N.Y. readers who confront the daily Post *column by Max Lerner may be interested in the following letter from a GUARDIAN reader to Mr. Lerner—not printed in the* Post:

Dear Mr. Lerner:

This is written to you, rather than to anyone else among the by-line writers on your paper, because your columns on the Rosenberg case at least were written hypocritically and one supposes you must have a vestigial conscience since hypocrisy "is the tribute vice pays to virtue." Your publisher writes on that margin of literacy that tempts one to regret the invention of the alphabet by the Phoenicians or whoever it was; James Wechsler valiantly fights McCarthyism by turning over lists of all his old associates to McCarthy; Murray Kempton continues his peculiar crusade to convert non-Communists to ex-Communism; and Leonard Lyons continues his pot-and-kettle duel with Walter Winchell (though neither of them ever names the **kind** of pot his opponent is, and the *mot juste* leaps to mind). All of these can, with some effort, be forgiven on the charitable Roman Catholic doctrine of "invincible ignorance"; or perhaps there is an equivalent doctrine of invincible malice.

You are set apart mainly because you work so hard to be specious, as your column of June 28 shows. In a cold-blooded "balance sheet" you again have the presumption—and the cunning—to use the word "compassion." You used it once before, saying you would take your compassion with you when you went to Sing Sing to watch the Rosenbergs die. You must mean something vastly different from the word we know in its classic uses in the Bible, in Shakespeare, or in William Blake:

> Can I see another's woe,
> And not be in sorrow too?
> Can I see another's grief,
> And not seek for kind relief?

WHATEVER substitute you use for compassion can hardly be much the worse for wear in the use you made of it in the frame-up and murder of the Rosenbergs. And it's very little help to try to keep one small toe in the camp of humanity by insisting sullenly: "It would have been enough to give them thirty years." You have tried to agree a little bit with everybody: the judges, the executioners, and some—but only some—of those who defended the Rosenbergs. You will be remembered in this case for quite opposite reasons from those for which the late Heywood Broun is still remembered in the Sacco-Vanzetti case. You might try reading the Broun columns: it might give you an inkling of the meaning of compassion. Meanwhile, you can put your own whatever-it-is back in the brief case. It will come in handy the next time you cover a lynching and write a column complaining that the rope was pulled too tight so that the victim was rendered deader than necessary.

The rest of us will settle for Broun's brand—and that of Cedric Belfrage who, along with his colleagues on the NATIONAL GUARDIAN, continues the Broun tradition of journalism almost alone.

I wish you personally no harm except loss of sleep, which can sometimes be salutary.

Sincerely yours,
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Rosenberg vindication fight on

IN a "formal opinion" issued July 16, Supreme Court Chief Justice Vinson felt it necessary to state at greater length than was done June 19, in the last-day rush to doom Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, why the court majority held "the existence of our power [and] the necessity for its exercise" to overrule Justice Douglas' stay of execution were "clear."

The finally-closed story of the fight to save the Rosenbergs' lives left Justice Felix Frankfurter, in addition to Justices Douglas and Black (GUARDIAN, 6/29), on the record to the opposite effect: that the executed couple received the forms but never the realities of due process of law. Frankfurter's opinion, handed down some days after the execution, held that

> . . . neither counsel nor the court, in the time available, were able to go below the surface of the question raised by the application for a stay which Mr. Justice Douglas granted.

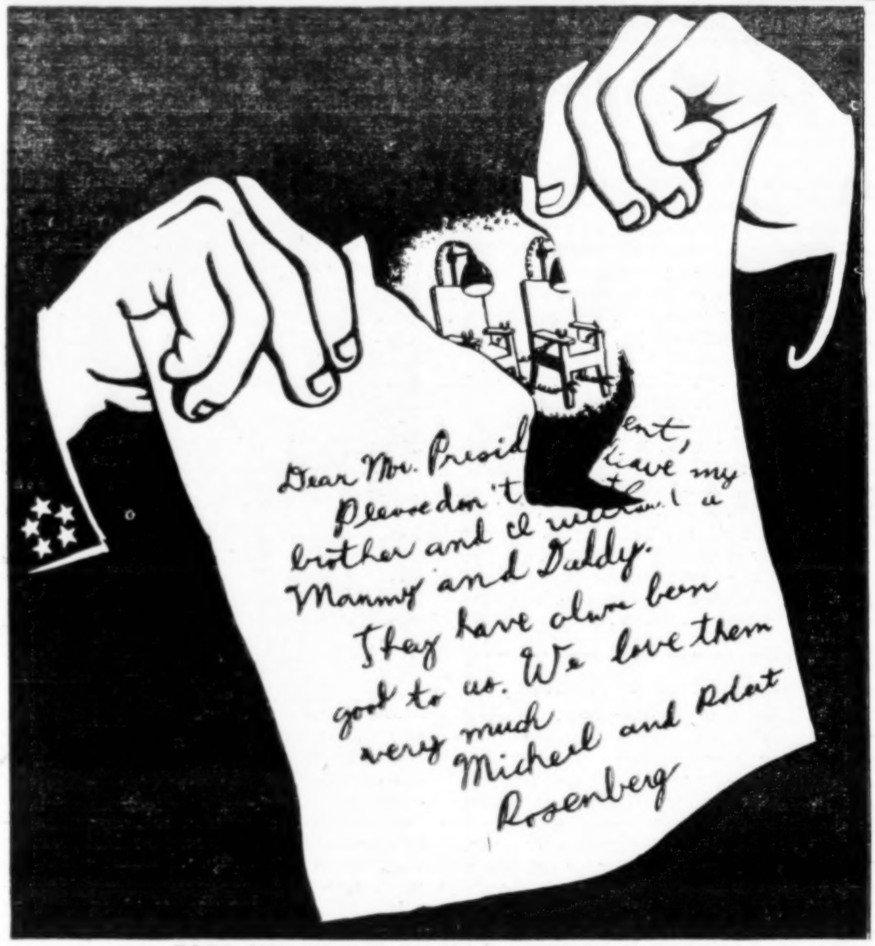
In spite of the President's and the press' insistence that the case received exhaustive judicial review, Frankfurter said: "We have not had in this case carefully prepared argument . . . the basis for reaching conclusions and for supporting them in opinions."

NEW "TRIAL" IN FRANCE: The concurrence of great number of Americans with the Douglas, Black and Frankfurter dissents, and their determination to continue the campaign to vindicate the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell, alleged "fellow-spy" jailed for 30 years, were expressed in plans by the Natl. Comm. to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case for a "Rosenberg Dedication Rally" in New York's vast Randall's Island Stadium, Sept. 16.

Last week national Committee leaders took part in a conference in San Francisco at which a campaign for a new trial for Sobell was discussed.

Meanwhile Rosenberg defenders in France had issued a 13-point manifesto inviting all sections of the French people to join in a Rosenberg Rehabilitation Committee, with a nationwide program for commemorative meetings, publishing books and documents, naming streets after the Rosenbergs, flooding cities with posters containing Ethel's poem "If We Die," etc. The Rehabilitation Committee also announced plans for a new "trial" of the Rosenbergs to be conducted by an international lawyers' commission.

Paris newspapers reported the return by Dr. Lewin, technical director of the blood transfusion center, of his honorary doctorate diploma to Harvard University as a protest against the executions. Other prominent Frenchmen followed suit in returning U.S. World War II decorations to the embassy in Paris.



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AN EXCITING NEW FILM

Salt of the Earth

By Ione Kramer

IT'S difficult to decide which is more exciting—the story of the 1951-52 Mine-Mill strike against Empire Zinc Co. in Bayard, N.M., or the story of how a group of independent movie folk worked together with the Mexican-American strikers to produce the film **Salt of the Earth** around it. Both the complete script for the movie by academy award winner Michael Wilson, and first-hand accounts of the movie-makers' struggles, are published by **California Quarterly** (7070 Hollywood Blvd., Los Angeles 28, Calif., $2.50 a year, 75c a copy) in a summer issue devoted entirely to the film, which will be released this fall.

How the film producers overcame government harassment spurred by Un-American Activities member Rep. Donald Jackson (D-Cal.), who denounced the film in Congress Feb. 24 as "a new weapon for Russia"; how a union technical crew (including 3 Negro technicians usually denied such jobs in Hollywood) was gathered despite blockage of the witch-hunting head of the Intl. Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employes (AFL); how the film was produced using miners and their families as actors, are described in an article by producer Paul Jarrico and director Herbert Biberman.

DANGEROUS DIGNITY: Mexican actress and "Oscar" winner Rosaura Revueltas, the only professional member of the cast, describes the campaign to deport her as a "dangerous woman" because she had been "playing a role [a striker's wife] that gave stature and dignity to the character of a Mexican-American woman. . . ." Juan Chacon, miner-president of Mine-Mill Local 890 who appears as the striker husband, tells how the union, which sponsored the film, and the Ladies' Auxiliary worked together with the producers to make certain the picture was a true representation of their life.

A SCENE FROM THE FILM
Rosaura Revueltas and Juan Chacon

Even more outstanding in the script than the strike itself is the victory of the miners' wives in re-educating their husbands to an appreciation of their dignity, their determination to hold the line when even the men thought the company had them beaten.

GET IT SHOWN: Already declared by the N.Y. **Times** Hollywood reporter to stress "class conflicts" (can one do a movie on a strike without them?), the film will probably meet harassment wherever showings are attempted.

"Whether the people are to praise it or damn it, they must first have the right to see it," Jarrico and Biberman write, urging all concerned with free communication to help provide "the atmosphere and place in which **Salt of the Earth** can be shown and judged on its own merits."

They drove right by

CHINESE GIVE UP IN DROVES
So Many Quit
They Hamper
GI Tank Drive

N.Y. **World-Telegram**, July 17, reporting on battle on central front in Korea.

Allied officers expressed disappointment at the small bag of Communist prisoners taken in the Red drive. There had been high hopes of capturing large numbers for purposes of obtaining information. . . .

N.Y. Times, July 18, reporting on the same battle.

THE CASE OF DAVID HYUN

U.S. seeks to send Korean patriot to hangman Rhee

By Charles R. Allen Jr.

DAVID HYUN, distinguished Korean-American architect and long-time opponent of Syngman Rhee, is being held prisoner by the U.S. Immigration Service in Los Angeles, awaiting final action on his ordered deportation to S. Korea and certain death. For the second time in as many years, Hyun is fighting for his life against the Walter-McCarran Act whose provisions have been denounced as "racist" by Sen. Lehman (D-N.Y.) and ex-President Truman.

The case is only one of several in a drive by U.S. authorities—blacked out by the whole press—to round up and deport without trial leading Rhee opponents among Korean independence groups in the U.S.

WAR VICTIM: Proceedings against Hyun began soon after the outbreak of the Korean War, when under the McCarran Internal Security Act he was ordered deported as an "undesirable alien." After a six-month imprisonment on Los Angeles' Terminal Island, he was released May 31, 1951, on $5,000 bail pending court review. On March 10, 1952, the original McCarran Act (1950) grounds for his arrest were upheld; the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the Atty. General had power to jail without trial or evidence persons "whom he has reason to believe" are dangerous aliens.

Hyun was then arrested under the McCarran-Walter Act of 1952 for deportation on July 6, but a temporary stay was granted by Federal Judge Harry C. Westover on the ground that his case had not yet been heard in the courts.

FINAL COURT MOVES: Last week the GUARDIAN learned that argument on a habeas corpus writ was to be heard in the L.A. Federal District Court July 24. If the plea were turned down, Hyun's attorneys were ready to appeal to a higher court; if granted, he would ask for a further stay of deportation in order to show in court that he would "be subject to physical persecution" if sent to S. Korea. (The 1952 Act empowers the Atty. General to withhold deportation of any alien to a country where in his opinion such "persecution" would be likely.)

CANDIDATE FOR MURDER: California civil rights groups saw the unprecedented rush to deport Hyun as dictated by the knowledge that a court review would upset the deportation order. Hyun has played an active role in the fight against Rhee for Korean independence; the treatment he could expect at Rhee's hands is indicated by the assassinations of such other leading independence fighters as Lyuh Woon Hung, Kim Koo and Chang Duk Soo.

(The GUARDIAN will present in future issues further alarming data on the blacked-out Washington drive to co-operate with Rhee in liquidating foes of the S. Korean dictator.)

MRS. HYUN AND SONS
There were many on their side

STEVE NELSON AND THE OCTOPUS

Pittsburgh: Feudal barony

By Victor Perlo

STEVE NELSON
Goons and gravy

ON July 16 the Smith Act trial of Steve Nelson, a leader in the war against fascism in Spain, and five codefendants resumed in Pittsburgh. The trial was recessed a month ago when defense attorney Bertram Edises was forced to withdraw because of illness. A mistrial, ordinarily granted under such circumstances, was denied. A new attorney, Reuben Terris, was allowed a month to familiarize himself with the case—a process of reading through thousands of pages of written matter.

Nelson, already sentenced to twenty years under a Pennsylvania World War I "sedition" law, last week was recuperating from surgery; he was unlikely to be fully recovered by the 16th.

Behind the Pittsburgh prosecution stands the Mellon financial empire, inordinately swollen from World War II profits, depending now for its expanded operations on continued war scares, continued witch-hunt hysteria.

Aggravated prejudice

AS the Pittsburgh trial resumed July 16, Judge Rabe F. Marsh denied a motion for a mistrial argued for the defense by Dr. Royal W. France, veteran civil liberties attorney. France based his motion upon the prejudicial effect on the jury of a charge before Sen. McCarthy's investigating committee that some Pittsburgh Communists were involved in an "assassination plot" against the Senator. The judge denied the motion after polling the jury and being assured by those who admitted reading or hearing about the charge that they were not prejudiced. Dr. France said such questioning of the jury could only aggravate the story's prejudicial effect.

Irving Weissman, first of the defendants to take the witness stand, completed his direct examination last week with four contempt citations against him for refusing to answer prosecution questions concerning the names of associates. He faces indeterminate sentences on each contempt charge at the end of the trial.

THE OCTOPUS: Pittsburgh is a sprawling, noisy, grimy, slum-infested, all but unlivable industrial metropolis; its rivers are polluted, its air poisoned with the offal of its vast mills and factories controlled by the Mellon dynasty: **Pittsburgh Plate Glass,** kingpin of the glass trust; **Koppers Co.,** controlling the coke industry; **Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co.,** largest non-captive coal company; **Jones and Laughlin,** fourth largest steel concern; and smaller companies which dominate the production of "bottleneck" items such as steel mill equipment, refractories, high-alloy and military steel.

Since World War II the Mellon bank has absorbed 30 smaller banks, tripled its resources; in a decade it has risen from 23d to 11th in size nationally. Pittsburgh Consolidation doubled in size after the war by merger with the Hanna coal interests of Cleveland, in which Treasury Secy. Humphrey is the leading figure.

MORE & MORE & MORE: Outstanding gain is the increased Mellon influence in U.S. Steel. Chairman B. F. Fairless now shares private offices with Richard King Mellon on the 39th floor of the Mellon-built, $28 million Mellon-U.S. Steel Bldg. and has been made a director of the Mellon bank.

Assets of the 12 companies at the core of the Mellon empire increased from $2,473,000,000 in 1935 to $7,803,000,000 in 1952. Smaller Mellon companies, allied Pittsburgh companies, and two steel companies with Pitsburgh headquarters and important Mellon influence, add up to 28 companies with assets of over $13 billion.

Mellon companies are especially active in foreign expansion, helped by the Truman Doctrine, the Marshall Plan, Point Four. Gulf Oil since World War II has increased its foreign output several times, now gets two-thirds of its oil abroad, makes (after taxes) $1,650 per U.S. worker, $6,240 per worker abroad. Koppers took over construction and management of the Chilean national steel mill.

BLOOD & GRAVY: Mellon companies are deep in war-order gravy. Military business represented 24% of Westinghouse sales in 1952; another 53%, in capital goods, was mainly war-inspired. The steel, aluminum and machinery companies are expanding tax-free with government certificates of necessity.

Additional profits are obtained by cuts in real wages and speed-up. After last year's wage increase U.S. Steel workers' real take-home pay was 4% below 1946. Steel output per man-hour rose 9.3% from 1948 to 1951. Gulf Oil raised crude production 70%, refinery runs 34%, in four years with a 2% job rise.

Seven leading Pittsburgh companies made nearly three times as much profits after taxes in the last four years as in the four World War II years. The 28 companies combined reported 1951 profits before taxes of $1,883,000,000 for a 31.4% return on invested capital, and an average of $2,325 per worker.

HANDYMEN: The Mellons' political power has grown with their profits. Since World War II they have made a clean sweep, control both Senators and the Governors. Andrew Mellon requested Ed Martin, now Senator, to enter politics when Martin worked for a Mellon-dominated bank:

> "Mellon's office boy" is a derisive phrase that has stuck to Martin ever since. He makes no apologies for it. (**Saturday Evening Post,** 11/10/45).

David Lawrence, Pittsburgh's Democratic Mayor, was elected with union labor votes. But:

> R. K. Mellon and his associates . . . enlisted David Lawrence . . . as a bridge to the Democrats and to Pittsburgh labor (**Time,** 10/3/49).

Governor John Fine flew to the 1952 Republican convention in Mellon's private plane, negotiated with the Dewey-Aldrich forces (Rockefeller) to put over Eisenhower with the decisive Pennsylvania votes.

HARRY SCHWARTZ' GEORGIAN TALES

Did Beria try a Hitler deal?

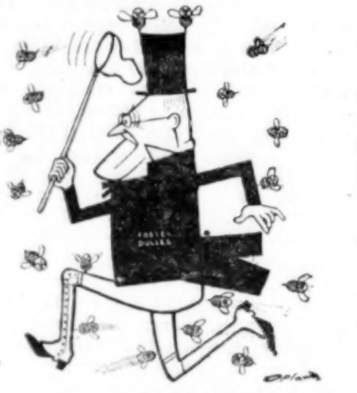
Harry Schwartz is the N.Y. Times' full-time "Iron Curtain expert," noted for the inaccuracy of his "interpretations" of events in the U.S.S.R. His only Soviet source of information seems to be the Moscow press, but he does maintain contact with emigre groups in America. We print for what it may be worth this "tale vouched for by a number of Georgian refugees, countrymen of Mr. Beria," from a Schwartz article on the Beria ouster (NYT, 7/13):

According to these Georgians, in the early period of World War II, as Hitler's armies seemed to march toward what looked then like inevitable victory, a group of Georgian Communist party leaders, including Mr. Beria, decided to attempt to salvage something out of what they judged to be the coming defeat of Stalin's Russia.

This attempt, these refugees report, took the form of sending a representative through the Soviet and German lines to Berlin, where he attempted to present this proposition to the highest German officials, including Hitler.

The Georgian leaders, headed by Mr. Beria, would arrange for the Soviet armies facing Hitler in the Transcaucasus area to cease their opposition and permit a rapid German conquest of the area. In return, these Georgian leaders proposed that Hitler guarantee the creation of a truly independent state of Georgia, with themselves as the heads.

This proposition at first apparently was scorned by Hitler, who felt that his victory was certain and he had no need to make deals with any Communist traitors. Later, when the tide of battle had turned, Hitler apparently showed some interest in the proposition. But at that time the belief in the Soviet defeat had been removed so that this effort of Hitler to make up for his original mistake came to naught.



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From want of faith in the power
of Goodwill;
From Hate, Fear and Violence, O,
Lord, deliver us.
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world, and Thy will at last be
done on Earth as it is in Heaven.

H. Alto

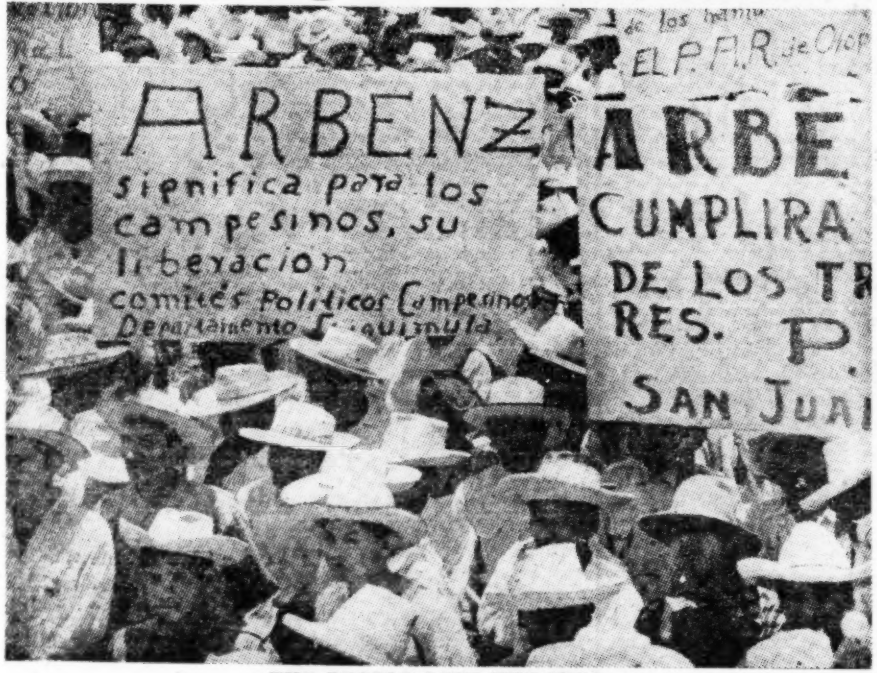
WHY IKE SENT HIS BROTHER SOUTH

A new day is dawning in Guatemala

By Kumar Goshal

WITH popular hostility to U.S. economic control rising fast throughout the hemisphere, President Eisenhower last month sent his brother Milton on a "good-will" tour to explore possibilities for further U.S. capital investment in Latin America.

Two developments had Washington worried: moves by Argentina, Chile, Bolivia and Brazil to organize among themselves to lessen Wall St. domination; broad popular reforms and tough legislation against U.S. exploitation by the democratic government of Guatemala under President Jacobo Arbenz Guzman.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THE PEOPLE LIKE THE IDEA
Peasants parade in support of the land reform program

DAWN OF DEMOCRACY: In Guatemala, Mexico's neighbor (the size of Ohio, popn. under 3,000,000), before the overthrow in 1944 of dictator Ubico 2% of the people owned 70% of the land; 72% were peasants (est. 90% illiterate) working either like serfs for landlords who got 50-70% of the crops or on foreign- or domestic-owned plantations for 10-20c a day; unions were outlawed; life depended on two export crops, coffee and bananas; and a giant U.S. trinity—United Fruit Co., its subsidiary Intl. Railways of Central America owning the only railroad, and Empresa Electric Co.—dominated economy and government.

The new government passed a labor code, encouraged a united labor movement which helped raise daily plantation pay to 90c minimum, $4 top; spent more on education than defense, raising teachers' pay from $8 to $30-75 a month; ended the feudal land system.

RED WORMS WORMING: With three Wall St.-dominated dictatorships (Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica) as neighbors, and "anti-communist" exhibitionist Gen. Trujillo offering melodramatic incitements from his Dominican Republic dictatorship in the Caribbean, Guatemala was on a dangerous spot. Guatemala's neighbors were "weighing joint action . . . discussing an early 'quarantine'—presumably an economic blockade—on Guatemala" (N. Y. **World-Telegram**, 3/30); "spoiling for a chance to uproot" the Guatemalan government (**Business Week**, 3/21).

Meanwhile the U.S. kept the red-scare hot: "communism" was getting "firmly entrenched" (N. Y. **Times** 4/9), "worming its way into near-control," (**Wall St. Journal**, 4/10). Guatemala was "a beach-head for international communism," said former Asst. Secy. of State Spruille Braden (3/12); suppression of it

> ". . . even by force . . . by one or more of the other republics . . . [would not be] intervention in the internal affairs [of Guatemala]" (**NYT**, 3/13).

LAND FOR THE PEOPLE: Immediate cause of the turmoil was Guatemala's plan to expropriate 233,973 acres of unused land belonging to United Fruit, which would get $594,572 in 25-year 3% government bonds as compensation. The land-reform law of June, 1952, exempts from expropriation private farms up to 220 acres if cultivated, or up to 660 acres if ⅔ or more is cultivated. Compensation for expropriated excess land was to be based on landlords' declared value for tax purposes, with landlords to be represented on agrarian reform committees. The land was to be made available on the basis of 10-17 cultivated, 27-45 uncultivated acres for each peasant applying for it, who could either own or have lifetime use of it by paying the government 5 or 3% of the crop for 25 years. Farmers would get cheap credit and state help in diversifying agriculture to remove dependence on one or two crops.

THE FIRST YEAR: On June 17, 1953, Guatemalans celebrating the agrarian reform's first anniversary found the accomplishments of the "bare-foot democracy" satisfactory. A total of 107 nationally-owned and 179 private farms, comprising 1,124,130 acres, had been distributed among over 108,000 former peasants, in the form of small farms and cooperatives. The government paid former landowners more than $1,900,000 in Agrarian Reform Law bonds, extended more than $197,000 in credit to the cooperatives and $190,000 to individual farmers. On July 14, the government began dividing among 1,500 landless families 8,000 acres formerly belonging to the United Fruit Co., announced it would begin distributing more unused United Fruit Co. land the following week. It also distributed improved varieties of seed, fertilizers, technical aid and about 12,000 head of livestock to the farmers, with an equal number to be distributed later.

Throughout Guatemala, political groups and peasant organizations celebrated the anniversary. To the most important of these meetings, held in the little town of La Tinta, 7,000 peasants representing 250 peasant union locals greeted a special delegation including Natl. Agrarian Dept. head Alfonso Martinez; many peasants addressed the gathering in their own Kekchi Indian tongue.

COMPETITION: The government is building a national port, an Atlantic-Pacific railroad and a Puerto Barrios-Guatemala City highway to break United Fruit's control of Puerto Barrios — Guatemala's only port — and monopoly of transportation whereby it cost more to send goods from Barrios to Guatemala City than from Europe to Barrios. A federal hydro-electric development to compete with Empresa Electric was also announced.

On July 16, the government temporarily took over Empresa plants when the company refused to meet pay-increase demands of striking Guatemalan workers.

UN GETS CHARGES: Washington and United Fruit, with its huge Latin American holdings, were panicked by the possibility that these moves might set an example to other countries of domestic reform and freedom from U.S. dominion.

The U.S. has supplied military aid to Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica and Nicaragua (**U.S. News**, 8/22/52). Guatemala has accused neighboring countries of complicity in the recent uprising in Salama, Guatemala, which the government swiftly put down; formally notified UN of an international conspiracy to intervene in its domestic affairs, hatched by "powerful interests backed by three big U.S. companies" and involving former U.S. Ambassador Richard Patterson, Braden and Trujillo. It withdrew from the Organization of Central American States, and refused to participate in the OCAS meeting held in Nicaragua this month.

THE FUTURE: Despite the danger of intervention from the outside, chances of democratic Guatemala's survival are good. The post-Ubico government has cleared the army of undemocratic elements and recognized the basic need of land reform; a united trade union movement (CGTG) has allied itself with Natl. Peasants Confedn. The four pro-government parties have vigilantly maintained and safeguarded the electoral unity of the democratic front.

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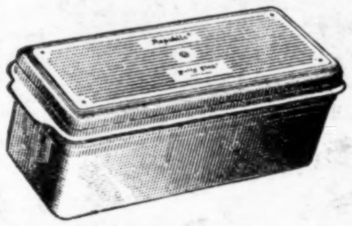
Ideal as container or mixer for frozen juices, cold drinks. Pour spout makes serving easy. Perma-Lid cover hermatically seals against contamination of flavor or contents. Also used for storage of juices, soups, meats, poultry, fruits.



1 FOOD CRISPER.
Will keep vegetables fresh and crisp for days. No drying out, no wilting, no deterioration. Cover provides tight seal fit, cannot be dislodged to expose foods.

3 PC. CANNISTER SET.
1½ qt., 2 qt., 3 qt. sizes. Used for freezing fowl, storing leftover meats, vegetables, fruits, etc. Also used for soup or ice cream. Perma-Lid covers hermatically seal cannisters.

9 FREEZETTE CONTAINERS.
3—40 oz., 3—20 oz., 3—12 oz. Ideal for food storage. Can be used again and again. Designed for stacking to economize on storage space. Just a gentle pressure at bottom and food will come out whole without premelting.

100% Polyethylene

Attractive, practical, space saving. Can be used in freezers, refrigerators, lockers to conserve food solids or liquids. Economizes storage space, keeps food fresh. Polyethylene will not crack, break or chip. Each item has 100 uses in the home. -18 pc. set consists of 2—50 oz. decanters; 1—3 pc. cannister set (1½, 2 & 3 qts.); 1 food crisper; 1 set of mixing bowls (5", 7", 10" diameter); 3—40 oz. Freezettes, 3—20 oz Freezettes, 2—12 oz. Freezettes. Comes in yellow, red or frost white. Shipping wgt. 8 lbs.

List Price	Guard. Price
$12.95	**$8.95**

BORG SCALE
Rated best by Ind. Consumer Research Org. Super-binocular dial makes reading easy. Hard-baked (chip proof) enamel finish. Chrome plated head. Available in green, peach, blue or white. Shipping wgt. 9 lbs.

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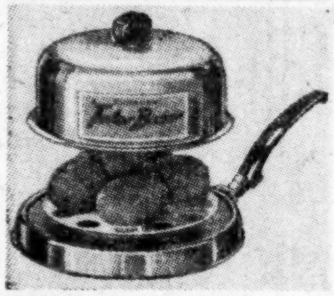

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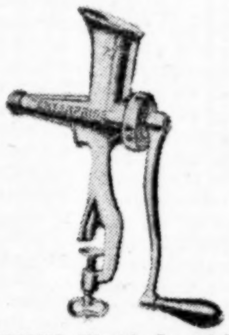

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Easily extracts juices from carrots, celery, beets, lettuce, grapes, berries, onions, cabbage, etc. Used in making vegetable juice cocktails, in health diets, for making fruit butters, jams, jellies, soups, sauces, flavoring, etc., for extracting juices from meat. Juice extracted thru strainer at bottom of cylinder. Pulp & seeds are ejected from outlet at end of machine. Pressure may be varied for different fruits and vegetables. Triple coated with pure tin. Stainless steel, acid-resistant strainer. Comes with booklet "Nature's Way to Youth, Health and Vitality," and includes recipes. Shipping wt. 9 lbs.

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5 pc. Presentation Set. Includes one cup, one saucer, one 16 oz. lug soup or salad bowl, one 7" dessert or bread & butter plate. Colors and description same as above. Shipping wgt. 5 lbs.

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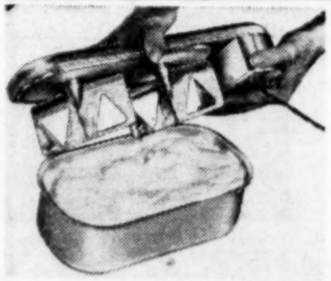

HOME-AID ELECTRIC ICE CREAM FREEZER
Modern freezer churns delicious home made ice cream in 30 minutes. Prepare mix in Home-Aid tray, put unit into freezer, run cord under refrigerator door and plug into outlet. Makes 1½ quarts good for 9-12 servings. Instruction and recipe booklet included. AC only. Shipping wgt. 7 lbs.

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2	.17	.20	.21	.24	.28	.33	.37	.41
3	.18	.22	.24	.29	.35	.42	.48	.55
4	.19	.25	.28	.34	.42	.51	.60	.69
5	.20	.27	.31	.38	.45	60	.71	.83
6	.22	.29	.35	.43	.55	.70	.83	.97
7	.23	.32	.38	.48	.62	.79	.94	1.11
8	.24	.34	.42	.53	.69	.88	1.06	1.25
9	.25	.37	.45	.57	.75	.97	1.17	1.39
10	.27	.39	.49	.62	.82	1.07	1.29	1.53
11	.28	.41	.52	.67	.89	1.16	1.40	1.67
12	.29	.44	.56	.72	.96	1.25	1.52	1.81
13	.30	.46	.59	.76	1.02	1.34	1.63	1.95
14	.32	.49	.63	.81	1.09	1.44	1.75	2.09
15	.33	.51	.66	.86	1.16	1.53	1.86	2.23
16	.34	.53	.70	.91	1.23	1.62	1.98	2.37
17	.35	.56	.73	.95	1.29	1.71	2.09	2.51
18	.37	.58	.77	1.00	1.36	1.81	2.21	2.65
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